

LATCH Definitions

Tether Anchor:

- Hardware in the vehicle that the child restraint's top tether strap hooks to
- May be manufacturer-installed original equipment or retrofitted

Tether Strap:

- Strap of webbing attached to the rear of the child restraint
- Connects to the tether anchor

Lower Anchors:

- Horizontal bar in or near the vehicle seat bight
- Provides a secure anchor for the child restraint's lower attachments

Lower Attachment:

- Rigid metal or flexible webbing
- Connects the child restraint to the lower anchor in the vehicle

Lower Anchors and Attachments

Message to parents:

- Sometimes lower attachments provide a better fit; sometimes the seat belt may work better.
- Parents can always use the seat belt to secure the child restraint if they have concerns about the lower attachments and anchors.